

## ORDER FOR EMERGENCY MANDATORY WATER RESTRICTIONS

WHEREAS, the Brazos River Authority ("BRA") has announced that a serious mechanical failure has occurred at the main pump station at Lake Stillhouse Hollow, that has resulted in the complete shut-down of the pump station; and

WHEREAS, with this pump station being shut down, there is no water being pumped and transported from Lake Stillhouse Hollow to Lake Georgetown; and

WHEREAS, Lake Georgetown is the primary source of water for the cities of Round Rock, Georgetown, Brushy Creek Municipal Utility District, and the Chisholm Trail Special Utility District; and

WHEREAS, the water level in Lake Georgetown is currently at historic low levels; and

WHEREAS, at current rates of consumption, the water level in Lake Georgetown will soon reach catastrophic levels; and

WHEREAS, BRA has advised the City of Round Rock to immediately implement Stage III emergency water restrictions; and

WHEREAS, §44-234 of the Round Rock Code of Ordinances authorizes the Director of Utilities to implement mandatory water restrictions in addition to those restrictions set forth in the Stage III restrictions in order to protect the public health and safety in the event of unusual operational events or catastrophic occurrences; Now Therefore

- I, Michael Thane, Director of Utilities for the City of Round Rock, pursuant to §44-234 do hereby determine that the failure of the main pump station at Lake Stillhouse Hollow is an unusual operational event and a catastrophic occurrence; and in order to protect the public health and safety, it is necessary to implement mandatory water restrictions in addition to those set forth in Stage III of the Drought Contingency Plan; and I do hereby order that, effective immediately:
  - (i) With the exception of commercial nurseries, ALL outdoor irrigation of vegetation, including with a hand-held hose, is prohibited;
  - (ii) the irrigation of professional athletic fields is prohibited; and
  - (iii) the irrigation of youth and amateur athletic fields is prohibited.

Signed and ordered this 7th day of October, 2011

Michael Thane, Director of Utilities